

No Occupancy Agreement or Permit will be approved until ALL of the conditions of the checklist have been satisfied. The accuracy of the information is the sole responsibility of the applicant.

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FOR ENCROACHMENTS AUTHORIZED IN RIGHT OF WAY

Project No.: _____ ID: _____ Designation: _____

Proposed Installation Date: _____

Milepost (Station) _____ to Milepost (Station) _____

Utility/Owner Name: _____ Address: _____

Type of Proposed Occupancy: _____

IMPACTS ON THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT (TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT)			
Resource	[Y/N] Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures (Use attachments if necessary)		
	Yes	No	Mitigation Measures for Items 1 through 5
1. Does the proposed action have an impact on any cultural resource? (Section 106-NHPA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Does the proposed action have an impact on water quality? *	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Does the proposed project have impacts to wetlands? *	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3a. If the answer to number 3 is yes, is a Clean Water Act ' 404 permit authorization required?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Is there documented controversy on environmental grounds? (For instance, has the applicant received a letter or petition from an environmental organization?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Does the proposed project involve hazardous waste site[s]? (Superfund, spills, underground storage tanks, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Are there any recorded occurrences, and/or critical habitat for Federally- listed Threatened or Endangered Species in the vicinity of the proposed activity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Is the proposed installation a portion of a project which may require other governmental permits, licenses, easements, etc.? If the answer is "yes," please describe in detail the full extent of the project and any other permits, licenses, easements, etc., which may be necessary for the utility to acquire. (Use attachments as necessary.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Does the proposed action <u>significantly</u> impact the transportation network in terms of increased traffic volumes, increased weight or increased delays on state roadways?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Does the proposed action have <u>significant</u> impacts on other forms of transportation (rail, transit or air movements)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

* If the answer to 2 or 3 is "yes," please see the Five Categories of Mitigation on page 2 of this form in order to address mitigation measures.

10. **Magnitude and significance of potential impacts: To be completed by applicant.**

Checklist prepared by: _____
Applicant Title Date

Reviewed for completeness by:

MDT District Representative Title Date

Approved by:

Environmental Services Title Date
(when items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 are checked "Yes")

Transportation Planning Title Date
(when items 8 or 9 are checked "Yes")

- A. The applicant shall complete the checklist indicating a "Yes" or "No" for each item, except number 10 which may require a narrative response.
- B. When a "Yes" is indicated on any number of items 1 through 9, the applicant must explain the impacts, and for items 1 through 5 any appropriate mitigation measures that will be taken. Use attachments if necessary. If the applicant checks "No," and the District feels there may be potential impacts, the Environmental Checklist must be forwarded to Environmental Services.
- C. If a "yes" is checked in item 6 please provide information naming the particular specie(s) and the nature of the occurrence, i.e. within the project limits and possibly capable of being directly impacted by the project; or, in the vicinity of the project area only."
- D. If the applicant checks "Yes" for any one item, the occupancy agreement or permit along with the checklist and the applicant's mitigation proposal shall be submitted to MDT Environmental Services.
- E. When the applicant checks a "Yes" item, the applicant cannot be authorized to proceed with the proposed work until Environmental Services and/or Transportation Planning, as appropriate, reviews the information and signs the checklist.
- F. Applicant will obtain all necessary permits or authorizations from other entities with jurisdiction prior to beginning installation of the subject facility.

The Five Categories of Mitigation Under the CEQ Regulations

- ◆ Avoiding the impact by not taking certain action or parts of an action
- ◆ Minimizing impacts by limiting the degree or magnitude of the action and its implementation
- ◆ Rectifying the impact by repairing, rehabilitating, or restoring the affected environment
- ◆ Reducing or eliminating the impact over time by preservation and maintenance during the life of the action
- ◆ Compensating for the impact by replacing or providing substitute resources or environments